

Kingsbridge Dementia Friendly Communities Notes of meeting 14/06/17 10am Quay House Kingsbridge

Present:

Roger Tyler, Kelvin Ellis, Rebecca Weare, Beccy Bristow, Julia McGing, Derek Weaving, Pat Moore and Adrian Cable

Apologies:

Joan Thomas, Anne Ayling, Ann Lidstone (who no longer wishes to attend)

Matters Arising

Dementia Awareness Week – mixed with 0 at first session, 4 at second. Maybe weather a factor, and a misconception that session is for carers/people with dementia rather than to build awareness in community.

DW disappointed with content in Gazette. DW/RW and BB will try to establish links with Paper.

Need to: target captive audiences, working with Fusion/Costa/Tesco

Group needs a plan and be established more formally to get into organisations.

Stand available Fair Week 22nd July – Saturday 9-12 for charities – good opportunity to generate awareness. RW and BB following up.

Saltstone Update (Derek)

Dementia training took place 12 Saltstone volunteers on 11th. Likely to run a further session where 1/2 people from this group in next month or so. Also a Livewell SW course on 18th May attended by 3 volunteers. Ruth Hattersly from Simply Counselling was used to deliver the Saltstone training. The Simply Counselling session was very much hands on and about the skills needed by carers. The Livewell one was very medically orientated. In future perhaps a combination of the two might be best.

The coordinator role will be 2.5 days and initially for 1 year.

Focus – manage activities of saltstone, develop courses and finding out what’s needed. Currently being advertised.

Kelvin circulated a Venn diagram illustrating the complexity and number of organisations out there for people with dementia and carers.

Future Plans

Initial focus is to find out what people need through a questionnaire (circulated). All very supportive and agreed with this approach that would then lead to an action plan that focussed on priorities.

Different groups/individuals discussed that might be able to distribute/provide opportunities to meet and talk were discussed.

A list of target groups to be compiled by all and then agreed at next meeting. (to prevent people getting bothered by multiple requests).

Questionnaire and a covering letter to be ready for 22nd July for stand at Fair Week.

Constitution

Some amendments to be made to the draft version circulated:

- Required numbers at AGM and General Meetings to be 8
- Year to run as financial/accounting year

AC to make amendments, circulate final version for consideration and for signature at the next meeting. Together with an invite for people to be involved as trustees.

Initial officers - RW as Chairperson and BB as Vice Chair/Treasurer
AC to continue as Secretary but not as trustee

All agreed constitution and this approach.

Any Other Business

RW circulated outline of stages to becoming Dementia Friendly community and we will attach when circulating notes.

Group to attend at the next Kingsbridge Alliance meeting on 12th July to provide an update on progress etc Roger plus 1?

Date of next meeting:

July 3rd 10.00am to noon Quay House